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TO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

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SUBJECT: A) BEIRUT 8212; B) STATE 265764 (NEITHER SENT TO GENEVA)

1. AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE (QUAKERS) REP WILLIAM CHANNEL PLANS TO STOP IN GENEVA EN ROUTE TO DAMASCUS AND BEIRUT TO TALK WITH HOCKE AND OTHER ICRC OFFICIALS, AND POSSIBLY WITH UNHCR STAFF, CONCERNING POSSIBLE AFSC PROGRAM IN LEBANON.

2. IN LEBANON CHANNEL IS CONSIDERING TRAVELING FIRST TO CHRISTIAN-CONTROLLED AREA FOR CONTACT WITH GHASSAN TUENI PLUS MRS. KHAZEN OF LEBANESE RED CROSS AS WELL AS ITH JEAN HOFFFLIGER OF ICRC AND OTHERS. HE ALSO PLANS TO SEE DR. ASPER AND OTHERS AT AUH AUB. HIS TRAVEL PLANS CALL FOR HIM TO BE IN GENEVA AROUND NOV. 8 WITH ARRIVAL IN DAMASCUS AROUND NOV. 10-LL.

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3. AS ONE PROJECT POSSIBILITY WE SUGGESTED TO AFSC THEY

MIGHT CONSIDER PROSTHETICS MANUFACTURING OPERATION USING
LOCAL PEOPLE AND OUTSIDE EXPERTS AND MATERIALS. SIMILAR
TO ONE THEY RAN IN QUANG NGAI, SOUTH VIETNAM, FROM 1967-75.

4. FYI, WE UNDERSTAND MR. CHANNEL SPEAKS ARABIC AND HAS
HAD MIDDLE EAST EXPERIENCE. AT SAME TIME WE HAVE SOME CON-
CERN ABOUT HIS PERSONAL SAFETY IN LEBANON AND HOPE
DAMASCUS AND BEIRUT WILL BRIEF HIM ON CURRENT SITUATION
IF OPPORTUNITY ARISES. KISSINGER

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